

Inspectors' note concerning the examination of the assessment of the need for and the provision of housing including the five year housing land supply.

At the opening of the hearings sessions on the 30 January 2018, we set out our proposals for the consideration of the housing issues through the course of the hearings sessions.

Matter 3 was considered at the hearings sessions on the 30 January, and 1 and 2 February. Further issues relating to housing are to be considered during Matter 7 on the 8 February for the PPA, Matter 8 on the 28 February and 1 March for the TTVPA, and Matter 12 on the 21 March. To prepare for these sessions, in our opening statement we provided clarification and made the following requests:

The individual housing sites will be discussed in the Policy area sessions as clarified in our note of the 23 January EXC12. To help those sessions to run smoothly, it would be helpful to us if those with objections to the suitability, deliverability or availability of housing sites would refer to the housing trajectories issued by the Councils (TP3e-g), and identify the sites with which they still disagree, setting out the reasons for their disagreement. It may be that a group of representatives of the development industry could join forces in order to produce this information, and in view of the short time period, to share it where possible with the Councils.

This is not an opportunity to submit new representations, but to consider the housing trajectories and determine whether previous objections to housing sites still stand.

For the Plymouth Policy Area session on the 8 February we ask for the information to be made available to the Programme Officer by 5 PM on the 7 February, with hard copies distributed at the Hearing.

With regard to the TTVPA sessions on the 28 February and 1 March we would ask for the parties to share the information with the Councils and to submit the information to the PO by 5 PM on the 23 February with hard copies submitted at the Hearings.

Following the discussion of the housing trajectories, we will look to the Councils and representatives of the development industry to produce a joint statement which sets out the position of each party in relation to the following:

- The overall housing requirement for the JLP (the OAN)
- The availability and deliverability of housing land to meet the overall housing requirement .
- The calculation and assessment of the five year housing land supply

The reasons for any differences between the parties should be set out in the position statement. The position statement should be submitted in electronic form to the PO by 5 PM on Friday 16 March.

For Matter 12 on the 21 March in addition to the issue 11.2 identified in the MIQ, we will consider the position statement submitted by the parties in order to clarify any matters raised by objectors and the Councils' response.

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INSPECTORS

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